the United States at the same level of trade. In identifying sales to be included in an averaging group, the Secretary also will take into account, where appropriate, the region of the United States in which the merchandise is sold, and such other factors as the Secretary considers relevant.

- (3) Time period over which weighted average is calculated. When applying the average-to-average method, the Secretary normally will calculate weighted averages for the entire period of investigation or review, as the case may be. However, when normal values, export prices, or constructed export prices differ significantly over the course of the period of investigation or review, the Secretary may calculate weighted averages for such shorter period as the Secretary deems appropriate.
- (e) Application of the average-to-transaction method—(1) In general. In applying the average-to-transaction method in a review, when normal value is based on the weighted average of sales of the foreign like product, the Secretary will limit the averaging of such prices to sales incurred during the contemporaneous month.
- (2) Contemporaneous month. Normally, the Secretary will select as the contemporaneous month the first of the following which applies:
- (i) The month during which the particular U.S. sale under consideration was made;
- (ii) If there are no sales of the foreign like product during this month, the most recent of the three months prior to the month of the U.S. sale in which there was a sale of the foreign like product.
- (iii) If there are no sales of the foreign like product during any of these months, the earlier of the two months following the month of the U.S. sale in which there was a sale of the foreign like product.

(f)-(g) [Reserved]

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## $\S 351.415$ Conversion of currency.

(a) In general. In an antidumping proceeding, the Secretary will convert foreign currencies into United States dol-

lars using the rate of exchange on the date of sale of the subject merchandise.

- (b) Exception. If the Secretary establishes that a currency transaction on forward markets is directly linked to an export sale under consideration, the Secretary will use the exchange rate specified with respect to such foreign currency in the forward sale agreement to convert the foreign currency.
- (c) Exchange rate fluctuations. The Secretary will ignore fluctuations in exchange rates.
- (d) Sustained movement in foreign currency value. In an antidumping investigation, if there is a sustained movement increasing the value of the foreign currency relative to the United States dollar, the Secretary will allow exporters 60 days to adjust their prices to reflect such sustained movement.

## Subpart E—Identification and Measurement of Countervailable Subsidies

SOURCE: 63 FR 65407, Nov. 25, 1998, unless otherwise noted.

## § 351.501 Scope.

The provisions of this subpart E set forth rules regarding the identification and measurement of countervailable subsidies. Where this subpart E does not expressly deal with a particular type of alleged subsidy, the Secretary will identify and measure the subsidy, if any, in accordance with the underlying principles of the Act and this subpart E.

## § 351.502 Specificity of domestic subsidies.

- (a) Sequential analysis. In determining whether a subsidy is de facto specific, the Secretary will examine the factors contained in section 771(5A)(D)(iii) of the Act sequentially in order of their appearance. If a single factor warrants a finding of specificity, the Secretary will not undertake further analysis.
- (b) Characteristics of a "group." In determining whether a subsidy is being provided to a "group" of enterprises or industries within the meaning of section 751(5A)(D) of the Act, the Secretary is not required to determine